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In re Application of:

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For: OVERHEAD SPACE ACCESS STOWABLE STAIRCASE

DECLARATION

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That I made and conceived the invention described and claimed in patent application Serial No. 10/708,733, filed in the United States of America on **March 22, 2004**, entitled **OVERHEAD SPACE ACCESS STOWABLE STAIRCASE**;

That I made and conceived this invention while employed by The Boeing Company. That the invention is related to the work I am employed to perform and was made within the scope of my employment duties;

That the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services of The Boeing Company;

That to the best of my knowledge and belief, the invention was not made (conceived or first actually reduced to practice) under, nor is there any relationship of the invention to, the performance of any work under any contract of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration;

The undersigned inventor declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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- ☐ be "useful in the production or utilization of special nuclear material or atomic energy" as recited in 42 U.S.C. 2182 (Department of Energy (DOE)).
- ☒ "have significant utility in the conduct of aeronautical and space activities" as recited in 42 U.S.C. 2457 (National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)).

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